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An Architectural Tradition from East-Mediterranean Region, Light-Weight Adobe Constructions: "Huğ House"



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ABSTRACT

On the land of Anatolia where many civilizations have settled, each district has developed an individual housing architecture due to its climatic conditions, the characteristics of the settling area, local material facilities and social structure. "The Huğ House" that is an example of traditional housing architecture built by using timber, reed and mud-based organic materials is the oldest house type discovered in Çukurova District and East Mediterranean Basin, especially common around Adana, Mersin and Tarsus. This vernacular architecture and traditional building technique has continuously been used till the 20th century, but unfortunately only a few has managed to survive today as a result of many reasons. Therefore, the few examples of these buildings that have survived today should be taken under conservation.

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